IN THE CLAIMS:

14. (Amended) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the cell expresses a GPCR, a β-adrenergic receptor.

20. (Amended) A method of screening a plurality of cells for those cells which contain a G-protein-coupled receptor (GPCR) responsive to a GPCR agonist, comprising:

- a) providing a plurality of cells, said cells containing a conjugate comprising a β-arrestin protein as a fusion protein with a reporter enzyme;
 - b) exposing the cells to a GPCR agonist; and
 - c) detecting enzymatic activity of the reporter enzyme;

wherein an increase in enzymatic activity after exposure of the cell to the GPCR agonist indicates β -arrestin protein binding to a GPCR, thereby indicating that the cell contains a GPCR responsive to said GPCR agonist.

26. (Amended) A substrate according to Claim 24, wherein the substrate is made of organic compounds or synthetic polymers, or from a material selected from glass, plastic, ceramic, semiconductor, silica, fiber optic, diamond, biocompatible monomer and biocompatible polymer materials.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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IN THE DRAWINGS:

Submitted herewith are red-inked copies of proposed amended Figures 8A, 8B, 11A, 13A, for the Examiner's approval.